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Examiner:

Joseph Woitach

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Commissioner of Patents and Trademarks

Washington, D.C. 20231

AMENDMENT UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.116(b)

Dear Sir:

In response to the Office Action dated March 13, 2002, the applicants remark as set forth below.

REMARKS

Claims 4-9, 13-17, 23-28, 45, 46, 49, and 50 are pending. No claims are allowed.

The applicants have recently become aware of PCT WO 01/80885 A2 ('885) to Bigbie et al. (Int'l. Appl. No. PCT/US01/40527, filed April 13, 2001) which the applican's believe corresponds to a U.S. Application currently pending before the U.S. Patent and Trademark

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PROTOZOAL MYELOENCEPHALITIS IN HORSES

RESPONSE UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.116 **EXPEDITED PROCEDURE EXAMINING GROUP**

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AMENDMENT OR RESPONSE AFTER FINAL REJECTION—TRANSMITTAL

1. Transmitted herewith is an amendment after final rejection (37 C.F.R. § 1.116) for this application.

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